The Bethel News.

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DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the NEWS should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, *West*, F. J. Russell. Clerk, L. T. Barker; Treasurer, W. W. Hastings; Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings; School Committee. Miss Jane Gibson, Z. W. Bartlett, *East*; N. F. Brown; Town Agent, A. E. Herrick; Collector, H. H. Bean; Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

MAILS CLOSE.

Going East, - 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.

MAILS ARRIVE.

From East, - 10:50 a. m., 4:50 p. m.
From West, - 9:15 a. m., 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL, Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. Sunday—Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League 6:15 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNIVERSALIST, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor, Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNION CHURCH, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p.m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 97, F. & A. M.—N E.Richardson, W. M.; W. E. Abbott, S. W.; H. C. Rowe, J. W.: M. W. Chandler, Treas.; D. G. Lovejoy, Sec. Meets second Thursday of each month.

MT. ABRAM LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 31—A. C. Frost, N. G.; E. S. Kilborn, V. G.; Chas. Mason, Rec. Sec.; C. C. Bryant, F. S.; S. I. French, Treas. Meets Saturday evenings.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 64—Martha A. Gibson, N. G.; Alice J. Farwell, V. G.; Jane H.Gibson, Rec. Sec'y; Marcia Hastings, Fin. Sec'y; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56—John F. Howe, Master; Mrs. C. E. Valentine, Lecturer; J. S. Hutchins, Secretary. Meets Saturday afternoons. once in two weeks.

SUDBURY COL., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—F. J. Tyler, C.; S. A. Gibson, R. S.; John Yates, F. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—Ira Jordan, P. C.; A. M. True, Adjt. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7.30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36.—Mrs. Atvilla Morgan, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Littlehale, Sec.; Miss E. E. Burnham, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

Bethel W. C. T. U.—Mrs. O. M. Mason. Pres.; Mrs. Arthur Varley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Sec.; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Treas. Meets Tuesday, once in two weeks.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank.—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Chair Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres, Calvin Bisbee, Treas.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster. Pres. A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association.—C. M. Wormell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational.—Pres., Mrs. A. E. Herrick; Vice Pres.. Mrs. Gilbert Tuell; Sec., Miss Mary True; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist.—Mrs. H. C. Andrews, Pres.; Mrs. Cyrene Littlehale, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Calvin Bisbee, Treas.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.

Columbian Club.—Mrs. A. E. Herrick Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

UNITED ORDER OF GOLDEN CROSS No. 484—N.C., J. H. Barrows; W. T., Calvin Bisbee; F. K. of R., S. W. Grover: K. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

House for Sale.

Anyone desiring to buy a small house Bethel vill age, will do well to call at 611 Dr. F. B. Tuell. 36

The LOCAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Picked Up About Town by the News Man.

Miss Sarah Chapman has been ill but is recovering.

Mr. H. H. Bean is confined to his house with the lagrippe.

Miss Lillian Kimball of East Bethel was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Arthur Varley returned from a week's visit in Oxford last night.

Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven went to Lewiston Saturday, returning Monday.

Many of our citizens are taking an enforced vacation on account of the lagrippe.

Mr. Wm. F. Kendall has moved into Miss Cummings' house on Mechanic street.

Mrs. F.E.Rand arrived in Bethel yesterday,and is staying with Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

"Wrestling and Blessing," will be the subject of the lenten sermon at the Universalist church next Sabbath.

Mr. Bert Young is soon to move into the rent over Hastings Bros. store which has been occupied by Mrs. Florence Holt.

Mrs. Abbie Edwards of Otisfield, who has been visiting her sisters Mrs. L. S. Coburn and Mrs. J. W. Smith, returns home to-day.

The ladies of the Bethel Library Association realized about nineteen dollars from the dinner served in Odeon hall town meeting day.

If you want to purchase first class stock and get your money's worth, and a little more, call at Young's Harness store. See ad. on page 2.

Miss Mary True is spending a few weeks in Washington, D.C., the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Bell. Mrs. Bell was formerly a pupil of Miss True.

Mr. Harry Chase will have an auction sale of his goods next Saturday. Mr. Chase will move to Rumford Falls where he has employment in a mill.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. T. F. Hastings Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Topics, Hogarth, Gansborough, Romney, Lawrence, Blake and Landseer.

The Masonic lodge is having considerable work to do and is holding special meetings for that purpose. A special meeting will be held next Saturday night when the second and third degrees will be worked.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. F.B.Tuell on Thursday at the usual hour. The members are requested to be prepared upon current events, as the "Lowell program" has necessarily been postponed one week.

An entertainment under the auspices of the young people of the Universalist Society, will be given in Odeon hall Thursday, March 22, consisting of songs, recitations and concluding with the laughable Farce "Who Caught the Count?"

Lewis Leavitt, M. C. Linnell, Melvin D. Sturdivant, W. C. Fickett and Daniel C. Bennett of Magalloway, were in town last week and attended the Masonic lodge Thursday and Friday nights. Mr. Bennett took the three degrees.

The meeting of the "Bethel Bird Society" which was to have been held March 7, was postponed on account of the storm. The next meeting Mar. 21, will be held at the home of Alice French. The bird selected for study is the chickadee.

Mrs. Florence Holt will sell at auction next Tuesday all her household goods consisting of chamber sets, carpets, curtains, hall stand, stoves, etc. The sale will take place at 1 o'clock P. M. from her former residence over Hastings Bros. store.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union met at the home of Mrs. Andrews Tuesday afternoon. The Union will entertain the Federation Tuesday March 27. Next Tuesday, Mar. 20, the Union will hold a special service at the home of Mrs. Chandler, to observe the birth of General Neal Dow.

Ceylon Rowe is in market this week, buying goods.

Judge A. E. Herrick, was in Portland last Wednesday.

C. M. Kimball of East Bethel was in our village Tuesday.

Miss Frances Carter has returned to her work at Miss Burnham's.

A. E. Morrison of Rumford Fal's was in town Thursday and Friday.

The B's of B. will have a dance at Odeon Hall Thursday evening.

Miss Alice Wheeler of South Paris, is assisting in the Bethel Savings Bank.

Mrs. Lucinda Bean, and Miss Cora Mason of West Bethel, were in town Friday.

The March edition of the Bridgton Stranger, is being printed at the NEWS office.

E. C. Park of the firm Herrick and Park, is in Boston this week on legal business.

The Epworth League will spend a social evening with Miss Olive Wheeler Thursday, March 15.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society will meet to-morrow afternoon at 2: 30 o'clock, with Mrs. Bisbee.

Mrs. E. J. Fox who has been at Canaan, Vt., for several months, returned home last Thursday.

Mrs. Helen Briggs, who has been at Gorham, N. H. for the past two weeks, returned home Friday.

Rev. W. B. Eldridge will exchange pupilts with Rev. I. A. Bean of South Paris next Sunday.

H. V. Starrett of Warren, was in town last week on his annual trip in the interest of the Maine Register.

Rev. Mr. Rand has been in town for a few days. He preached at West Bethel last Sunday afternoon.

T. F. Hastings was in Lewiston last Friday, to attend an entertainment given by the Edward Little High School.

"Take time by the forelock." If your blood is out of order, begin taking Hood's Sarsaparilla at once and prevent serious illness.

Miss Minnie Godwin who was obliged to leave the Academy before the close of the last term owing to sickness, is somewhat improved.

Mr. Newton Richardson engineer at the Chair factory came near meeting with a serious accident recently. While at his work a slab fell and hit him, rendering him unconscious for a time. No serious injury resulted.

Joseph Holt, wife and daughter who have been visiting friends in Worcester Mass., for the past two weeks, after a few days' visit with friends in Sanford, will return to their home in Bethel.

All are glad to hear of the improved condition of Col. Edwards, who was stricken with a partial shock while in the postoffice on the afternoon of March 5. The Colonel has gained rapidly, and was able to walk to the postoffice, Tuesday.

The B's of B, (Boys of Bethel,) gave a dance in Odeon Hall last Thursday evening. A goodly number were present and a very pleasant time is reported. It is their purpose to give such dances at frequent intervals during the following weeks.

Mrs. Mehitable Temple died at her home in Brockton, Mass., Mar. 9, at the age of 81 years. Her remains were placed in a tomb at Brockton to remain until April when her son, R. B. Grover will bring them to Bethel for interment in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. H. B. Wright of Lewiston, has purchased the photograph business of Wilfred Bowler and took possession of the same Monday. Mr. Wright comes to us highly recommended as a workman and a citizen and one who fully deserves our patronage, which doubtless, he will receive. Mr. Bowler will go to Augusta where he will continue in the photograph business.

Written for the NEWS.

My Ship.

I sent out my ship in the summer of youth
On a tranquil sea while the day was fair,
With hopes bounding high and a heart full of mirth,
Not heeding the dangers surrounding it there.

It was heavily laden from prow to stern
With the choicest freight I had in store,
Gaily expecting its prompt return
With the treasures I'd longed for o'er and o'er.

My freight? There were wishes not often expressed,
There were longings I always had known;
And high aspirations never confessed,
For self-aggrandizement alone.

There was beauty of feature, I fain would possess
A lovely and graceful form—
A stately manner and charming address,
In truth, "to the manor born."

And knowledge— I craved it with all my heart,
With the virtues the pure only know;
And wealth—were it mine, it would surely impart
More pleasure than aught else below.

I would charm the world's ear with poetic art,
And in music's loveliest strains,
I would soothe and comfort the sorrowing heart—
Bid the sick ones forget all their pains.

I would speak to the erring and tempted of earth
With such sweetly persuasive voice,
As to lure them from crime and the halls of mirth
To the temples where saints rejoice.

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It was all I had for this ship of mine
As I sent it across the deep,
Nor feared to trust to the helmsman's line,
A successful course to keep.

But days have passed, even years have flown,
Since she glided out to sea,
Yet never the ship I had called my own,
Came back into port to me.

I have watched in vain for her snowy sails
Through days that were fair and bright;
And often with strained and anxious gaze,
I have watched through the livelong night.

Mayhap, in my hasty and ignorant greed
'Twas o'erladen, but not with the best;
And the wisdom of which I had so much need,
Should have been my only request.

So I've none of the treasures I sought to obtain
By sending my ship out to sea,
Though with diligent labor I've sought in the main,
The possessor of all, to be.

Are my wishes vain? Have I toiled for naught!
Have the cargo and ship gone down?
O, where are the treasure so eagerly sought—
The gems for my heavenly crown?

Perchance on the bright, immortal shore
Safely anchored in harbor there,
I shall find my ship with its precious store—
A harvest of deeds done long before—
Heavenly jewels beyond compare.

—FAVORETTA.

Chester Wheeler is in town for a few days.

Little Margaret Herrick is a victim of the whooping cough.

Another cold wave, sharper than a two-edged sword, visited us Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Chute is on the sick list, a victim of the prevailing epidemic.

Mrs. L. E. Leach has been ill the past few days with an attack of the lagrippe.

Mrs. A. E. Herrick returned from Boston one week ago. She has been confined to her room since Friday with a severe nervous trouble.

Rev. I. A. Bean, of South Paris, will deliver an illustrated lecture at the M. E. church next Saturday evening, March 17, at 7 :30. Views of Montreal, Toronto, Chicago, Niagara Falls, Minnehaha Falls, New York, Washington, Philadelphia and Boston are among those which will be presented and described by Mr. Bean. For the small sum of fifteen cents, all may take this fancied trip which will seem almost a reality because of the excellent views given. Mr. Bean will prove himself a very entertaining travelling companion. He will close his lecture with the beautiful illustration, "Rock of Ages." Tickets, 10 and 15 cents.

The Christian Endeavorers gave a title party in Garland chapel last Monday evening. Despite sickness, bad travelling and the fact that many of our young people were out of town, a goodly number were present and assisted in making the evening an enjoyable one. Thirty-six books were represented. A prize was offered to the person producing the longest correct list; this was won by Philip Maher, who showed a list of sixteen.

TOWN ELECTIONS.

Newry.

Moderator, L. W. Kilgore.
Clerk, John S. Brown.
Selectmen, J. F. Eames, A. E. Bailey, W. N. Powers.
Road Commissioner, H. F. Thurston.
School Committee, John S. Allen.
Treasurer, John S. Brown.
Collector, J. S. Allen; percentage, .025.
Agent, J. F. Eames.

APPROPRIATED.

Poor	$300
Schools	400
Miscellaneous	300
Books	50
Repairs	25
Roads	600
Town debt	500

Voted to charge 10% interest on all taxes not paid on or before Jan. 1, following commitment.

Upton.

Moderator, A. O. Godwin.
Clerk, F. O. Godwin.
Selectmen, H. I. Abbott, A. W. Judkins, H. T. Chase.
Treasurer, Enoch Abbott.
Superintendent, A. W. Judkins.
Road Commissioners, H. S. Raymond, J. E. Brooks, Wm. Sweat.

Hanover.

Moderator, W. S. Howe.
Clerk, Arthur G. Howe.
Selectmen, George A. Virgin, A. G. Howe, Chas. P. Bartlett.
Road Commissioner, Frank E. Russell.
School Committee, Mrs. J. D. Kimball, E. P. Smith, Mrs. J. B. Roberts.
Treasurer, O. P. Russell.
Collector, A. T. Powers.
Agent, Geo. A. Virgin.
Constables, A. T. Powers, H. E. Dyer, C. G. Harlow.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$100
Roads and bridges	300
Common schools	200
School books	8
School house repairs	30
Painting and repairing cemetery fence	60

Voted to hire Union hall to hold town meetings.

Brownfield.

Moderator, J. R. Hill.
Clerk, E. E. Rounds.
Selectmen, J. R. Hill, J. B. Danforth, S. E. Eaton.
Road Commissioner, J. W. Perkins.
School Committee, C. E. Spring.
Supt. of Schools, F. L. Marston.
Treasurer and Collector, T. C. Walker.
Agent, J. R. Hill.
Auditor, L. R. Giles.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$1000
Roads and bridges	1000
School books	75
School house repairs	250
Support of poor	1000
Debt and interest	300

Mason.

Moderator, C. F. Brown.
Clerk, Ervin Hutchinson.
Selectmen, C. F. Brown, Ervin Hutchinson, A. F. Morrill.
Road commissioner, C. H. Morrill.
School committee, A. E. Tyler, E. E. Stiles, C. F. Brown.
Supt. of schools, Mrs. A. E. Tyler.
Treasurer, F. L. Bean.
Collector and percentage, F. L. Bean; 04
Agent, F. L. Bean.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$ 75
Roads and bridges	200
Common schools	80
School books	5
School house repairs	25
Officers' bills	50

Waterford.

Moderator, B. G. McIntire.
Clerk, Melville Monroe.
Selectmen, Clarence H. Pride, Mell F. Knight, Frank W. Sanderson.
School committee, Howard Gilpatrick, Frank A. Noble, Frank H. Morse.
Supt. of schools, A. B. Libby, M. D.
Treasurer, Daniel Brown.
Collector, Freeman Hapgood.
Agent, George C. Wheeler.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$1200
Roads and bridges	1000
Snow bills	900
Common schools	1200
School books	120
School house repairs	100
Memorial day	10
Rebuild No. Waterford school house (in addition to $600 insurance)	600

Passed over the article in regard to the railroad from Bridgton.
Officers all Democrats except superintendent of schools.

Buckfield.

Moderator, V. P. DeCoster.
Clerk, Alfred Cole.
Selectmen, E. B. Austin, Henry Parsons, H. F. Irish.
Road commissioners, Adelbert Parsons, L. S. Turner.
School committee, H. F. Irish, Alfred Cole, E. B. Austin.
Supt. of schools, F. A. Robinson.
Treasurer, Benj. Spaulding, Jr.
Collector, Ellis Whitman; salary, $100.

APPROPRIATED.

Roads and bridges	$1000
Snow bills	1000
Schools	1000
Support of poor	1000
Officers' bills	500
Debt	500
Interest	260
Bridge abutments near Kinsley's crossing	500

Woodstock.

Moderator, Jas. L. Bowker.
Clerk, Ned I. Swan.
Selectmen, George L. Cushman, Wm. H. Lurvey, Herbert C. Bacon.
Road commissioner, Deloraine A. Cole.
School committee, H. H. Cush-

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APPROPRIATED.

Roads and bridges	$1200
Snow bills	1200
Common schools	1300
Free high school	225
School books and school house repairs	350
Support of poor	1000
Officers' bills	600
Debt and interest	800
Interest on school bond	126

Fryeburg.

Moderator, B. Walker McKeen.
Clerk, Norman Charles.
Selectmen, Wm. Gordon, David H. Chandler, Thos. W. Charles.
Road commissioner, E. Chandler Buzzell.
School committee, Geo. O. Warren, Ernest Hamlin Abbott, Baman N. Stone.
Supt. of schools, A. C. Ferguson.
Treasurer, John F. Merrill.
Collector, Fred C. Davis; percentage, .015.

APPROPRIATED.

Current expenses	$1000
Roads and bridges	2500
Common schools	1400
School books	150
School house repairs	350
Support of poor	900
Officers' bills	375
Interest	560
Memorial day	25

Andover.

Moderator, A. S. Jordan.
Clerk, H. M. Thomas.
Selectmen, L. R. Hall, F. S Smith, G. O. Huse.
Road commissioners, Three, to be appointed by selectmen.
School committee, R. L. Melcher, H. A. Mills, M. W. Gregg.
Supt. of schools, J. F. Keith.
Treasurer, L. M. Hewey.
Collector and percentage, B. L. Akers; .015.

APPROPRIATED.

Roads and bridges	$1000
Common schools	800
Free High school	200
School books	100
School house repairs	50
Support of poor	400
Debt and interest	620
Contingent fund	400
Repair town hall	300
Improving cemetery	50
Public library	150

Tax discount, 5 per cent. on or before Nov. 1.

Rumford.

Moderator, Waldo Pettengill.
Clerk, Fred O. Eaton.
Selectmen, H. C. Dunton, Y. A. Thurston, James D. Morse.
Road commissioner, C. H. Graham.
School committee, A. J. Colcord, John J. Calhoun, John E. Stephens.
Treasurer, F. B. Martin.
Collector and percentage, H. L. Elliott; .0125.
Auditor, Ralph T. Parker.

APPTOPRIATED.

Roads and bridges	$7000
Common schools	4200
Free High school	1800
School books	700
School house repairs	600
Support of poor	1500
Debt and interest	3300
Memorial day	50
Tax discounts	1000
Miscellaneous	2500
Sewer in "Virginia"	1000

Hebron.

Moderator, S. P. Cushman.
Selectmen, H. B. Sturtevant, A. A. Nelson, Fred J. Dunbar.
Clerk and treasurer, Fred H. Marshall.
Collector and constable, W. Scott Bearce.
School committee, A. E. George.
Supt. of schools, L. D. Tibbetts.

APPROPRIATED.

Schools	$ 600
Support of poor	800
Roads and bridges	1200
Officers' bills	300
Miscellaneous expenses	100
School books	25
Repairs of school houses	50
A. A. Dwinal Post	10
New school house in Dist. No. 5	600

Passed over the article relating to buying a town farm.

Greenwood.

Moderator, S. S. Felt.
Clerk, A. C. Libby.
Selectmen, E. W. Penley, O. P. Farrington, L. P. Bryant.
School committee, C. E. Abbott, A. W. Herrick, Wm. A. Holt.
Supt. of schools, Geo. W. Richardson.
Treasurer, A. B. Bryant.
Collector, Chas. A. Richardson; percentage, .02.
Agent, E. W. Penley.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$ 500
Roads and bridges	1000
Snow bills	800
Common schools	850
School books	50
Support of poor	1000
Officers' bills	500
Debt	500
Interest	260
Bridge abutments near Kinsley's crossing,	500

FLORIBAN.

Night hath fallen on my heart
Since I saw my queen depart—
Vale, vale, Floriban!

Kindle dawn and sunset burn!
She shall never more return—
Vale, vale, Floriban!

Nevermore, oh, nevermore!
She has oped death's iron door—
Vale, vale, Floriban!

Went she singing through the way
As a bride on marriage day?
Vale, vale, Floriban!

Could ye not have held her close?
So the thorn boughs shrine a rose—
Vale, vale, Floriban!

Ivy, yew and cypress tree,
Weep for her and weep for me!
Vale, vale, Floriban!

—Lady Lindsay.

A RUNAWAY MATCH

But Not the Kind of Runaway Usual In Such Cases.

John Asley, Jr., was a tall young man about 22, and as he gazed wrathfully at his father the old man almost quailed before him.

Old John Asley was of the "old school," whatever that may mean, and young John Asley was of the "new school," very new, in fact, went in heavily for athletics, ran up a big bill at college for "dad" to pay and then skipped over to the continent, and there, being up to date, fell in love with a very pretty girl and of course wanted to marry her.

Now, old John Asley not only had no sympathy with his son's matrimonial schemes, but he rather regarded the young man and all his likes and ambitions as altogether unheard of and therefore dangerous and to be frowned on.

It was natural that he should plan for John to enter his office and learn the ways of business. The old man felt sure it was rank heresy and reckless foolishness to let the boy marry till he had grounded himself in business and its methods. Now the boy wanted to marry Miss Bennett at once and learn the rudiments of business afterward.

This did not suit the old man. He admitted that he would not be so averse to the marriage if the young lady had any money. They discussed the matter some time.

Old John Asley knew that his son had his own stubborn and unresisting temperament, and he changed his tactics. He suggested that John have his aunt ask the girl to a dinner party. John's aunt presided at the few entertainments the old man gave. This was arranged and the invitation dispatched to "Miss Grace Bennett, — Madison avenue, New York."

This was the address she had given John and told him it was a friend's house where she should spend the winter. Her acceptance came by return post.

The evening of the dinner arrived, and the splendid house was decorated and ablaze. John's eyes sparkled when he led Miss Bennett up to introduce her to his father.

"Father, this is Miss Bennett," he said.

He saw his father give the girl a puzzling look and heard him stifle an exclamation of surprise. Then he noticed that the girl was blushing and seemed in some way ill at ease.

"How do you do, Miss Grace?" said his father, with the easy familiarity of an old man. "We are very glad to see you here." Then some one else came up, and the girl hurried away.

Several times at dinner John saw his father glance at the girl and then shake with silent laughter. His hot blood decided that his father was ridiculing the girl of his choice, and he determined to call him to account for it.

He drove Miss Bennett to the station to catch the late New York train, and when he got back he found his father still up. The old man became silent and refused him any explanation. All he would say was that if Miss Bennett only had as much money as Alice Cooper he would withdraw all his objections and make John a liberal allowance.

Miss Cooper was a daughter of an ex-resident, who, dying, had left his only child, Alice, a large fortune. John had never seen the girl and thought then that he never wanted to.

In the middle of September young John announced that he was going to New York and would like some funds. The money was forthcoming, and the old man even chuckled as he handed John the notes in a way that only made matters worse.

John went to New York, taking his nag Midnight with him. He was too much attached to the horse to leave him behind and looked forward to some delightful gallops with Miss Bennett.

For two days he hung about the hotel, fuming and trying to make up his mind to call on Miss Bennett. One morning he decided to take a ride in the park before breakfast.

Midnight was a handful and needed all his attention for some time. After a good gallop he quieted down and began to act like a rational horse again.

John was walking him along the bridle path and came on a little crowd of persons, including some of the park workmen and a mounted policeman. Standing near the group was a handsome Kentucky saddler, trembling all over and showing unmistakable signs of having run away. The sidesaddle on him was hanging on his flank, and his mouth dripped blood from an inside cut. There was blood on the policeman's arm. His horse was quietly watching the proceedings with mild, steady eyes. He had seen so many similar accidents that it was really quite a bore to him.

John drew Midnight up and tried to get a look at the person they seemed to be bending over. As he pushed his way into the crowd he caught a glimpse of the face and uttered an exclamation of surprise and horror when he saw it was Miss Bennett.

"Do you know this young lady?" asked the policeman.

"Yes," said John. "She is Miss Grace Bennett and lives at ——. Is she hurt?"

"That we can't tell for sure till the ambulance and the surgeon come. But we don't think so. They always faint. She is a long time coming to, though."

The rubber tired ambulance came silently up, and the surgeon was beside the girl before the vehicle stopped. He made a superficial examination with professional dexterity and said: "This is not the ordinary faint from terror. She must be taken to her home at once or the hospital."

Tenderly she was lifted in, and John gave the address. He rode on before to let her aunt know of the mishap. Running up the steps, he asked for Mrs. Peters, the girl's aunt.

"Miss Bennett was thrown from her horse, and they are bringing her here in an ambulance. It is nothing serious, I am sure."

"Miss Bennett, Miss Bennett," said the lady. "I don't—or, yes, of course. And are you Mr. Asley?" In the excitement it didn't seem strange to him that she knew who he was at once.

They carried the girl to her room, and inside of half an hour two surgeons and a trained nurse were by her side. The surgeons shook their heads and looked very grave. All attempts to arouse her had failed. She lay in a stupor, and her soft breathing was the only sign of life.

When the surgeons said an operation was necessary, John's hopes fell. Soon another surgeon and another nurse and some suggestive looking boxes and cases arrived. Then John tramped the long drawing room waiting for the doctors to come down and tell him if she lived or not. The sickly sweet smell of ether came floating down stairs as the door of the chamber was opened, and he heard a singsong voice that he knew uttering meaningless words.

Then the door shut, and as one of the nurses came down he waylaid her. Before he had a chance to ask she told him the young lady was coming out of the ether nicely, and the doctors had found a tiny piece of bone pressing on the brain. But they felt sure she would be all right with care.

All that long afternoon he staid at the house and hoped he might be of some service. Finally he fell asleep, worn out with all the anxiety and misery. He was awakened by a touch on his shoulder and found his father standing over him. Here was more mystery.

"How's Grace?" he asked.

"Alice is better and will be all right soon. The girl up stairs is Alice Cooper. She was Miss Bennett in Europe to protect herself against a lot of fortune hunters. I knew her when she came to the dinner party and have seen her frequently since her father moved away from our town. But I thought I would let you find out for yourself. I haven't any further objections, and after the wedding we will talk business."

John demanded entrance to the sick room at once. There was really no proposal, only "Oh, John!" and "Oh, Alice!"—Hartford Times.

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Before being served out to the crew it is again diluted in the proportion of one part of rum to three parts of water. This is grog, which derives its name from Admiral Vernon. He it was who first diluted rum. He habitually wore a grogram coat and went by the name of Old Grog. The barrel is broached on deck at the dinner hour, and each comes forward with his pannikin in turn.

All government stores are marked in some way so that they can be readily identified. The rum has a small quantity of finely chopped hair introduced into it, which can be detected by holding it up to the light.—Chambers' Journal.

In Glass Houses.

If our own faults were as apparent to us as those of our friends, how ashamed we would be of ourselves!

We have wonderful acuteness of vision when it comes to discovering the weaknesses of others, and our sight is painfully dim when we view ourselves. A good woman once told the writer that for years she had made it a rule never to speak of the faults of others until she had gone through the category of her own weaknesses to see if she did not have similar failings, and by the time she had done this her sense of humiliation would be so great that she had no desire to say anything about the weaknesses of others.

This would be a good rule for all of us to adopt. Don't you think so? Try it the very next time you are inclined to criticise some one of your friends and acquaintances.—Weekly Bouquet.

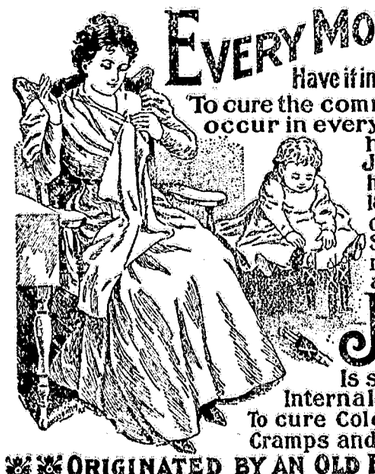
He Was There.

Odd mistakes are sometimes made by printers. A noted minister had occasion to write his manuscript for the printer, and in the course of it were these sentences: "Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?"

The compositor set it up: "Is there no balm in Goliad (a town in Texas)? Is there no physician there?" Then, on the margin of the doctor's proof, the officious fellow put for his information, "Dr. T. H. Nott is still in Goliad."—Memphis Scimitar.

Girls and Curling Pins.

When a recent thunderstorm broke over London, a curious scene, it is said, occurred in a large business house in the city where nearly 300 girls are employed. The moment the first flash of lightning was seen almost the whole of the girls, as if moved by machinery, raised their hands to their heads and for a minute or two were busily employed removing curling pins from their hair. The effect of all these fingers simultaneously unrolling silken tresses in order to get rid of what might have proved dangerous ornaments must have been amusing. Anyhow the incident shows that the science the girls acquired at school had not been wholly lost, for they still remembered that curling pins might attract the lightning too near them to be pleasant.



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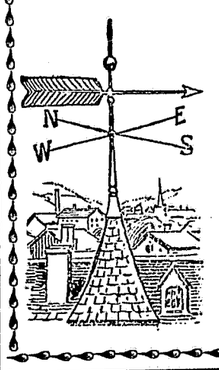
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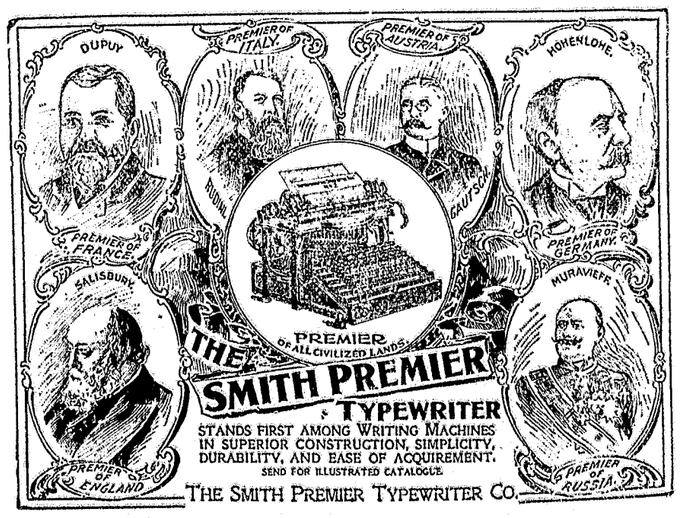
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Successful Women.

The women who succeed are those who go to their work with a determination born of courage and positive conviction and whose energies are absolutely tireless. It is true they are often not so well paid for the same work as men, but that is one of the mistakes of the day that will soon be rectified. We are growing wiser, and one of the things that is most important for every one to know is that there is no sex in brains. Those who fail are usually those who expect too much and presume on account of their being women.

There is plenty of work and money, too, for the sharp woman who will fight every difficulty in her way. Everybody loves a fighter, whether it be man or woman, fighters who see nothing but success at the other end of the long road, fighters who believe in themselves and their efforts and who plan their daily battles as a general plans a campaign, fighters who are brave, above board and generous in the struggle. These are the heroines of daily life, and they command success and respect by thoroughly deserving it.—New York Telegram.

A Cardinal's Views.

Cardinal Gibbons, in a sermon on "The Christian Woman," said:

"I regard woman's rights women and society leaders as the worst enemies of the female sex. They rob woman of all that is amiable and gentle and give her nothing in return but masculine boldness and brazen effrontery. They are habitually preaching about woman's rights and prerogatives and have not a word to say about her duties and responsibilities.

"Under the influence of such teachers we find woman neglecting her household duties, gadding about, never feeling at home except when she is abroad. She chafes and frets under the restraint and responsibility of domestic life. Her afflicted husband comes home to find home empty or occupied by a woman whose heart is void of affection for him. There arise disputes, quarrels, estrangements, and the last act in the drama is often divorce."

Two Handy Pockets.

The small lace handkerchief sometimes gives the owner much trouble. This annoyance can be done away with if one has in her gown a small pocket on the left side of the jacket or waist. This can be made either triangular, square or round in shape. The small bit of lace is tucked into this, and the edges peep over the top of the pocket. Another pocket does away with the rolling up of the handkerchief and putting it up the sleeve. The sleeve at the wrist has a small slit which admits the handkerchief and allows the border to fall over the gloved hand.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Lady Burdett-Coutts.

Baroness Burdett-Coutts' sister died recently at her residence, Stodham park, Hants. She was senior to Lady Burdett-Coutts and leaves one son, who is married and has a family. She was 94 and was the only surviving sister of the baroness. She married the late Rev. James Drummond Money in 1850. Lady Burdett-Coutts is now the sole representative of the family of Sir Francis Burdett, M. P., fifth baronet, which consisted of one son and five daughters.

Oysters must be fresh and fat to be good. They are in season from September to May. The small ones, such as are sold by the quart, are good for pies, fritters or stews. The largest of this sort are nice for frying or pickling for family use.

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Where Women Vote.

An amusing incident happened to a young Illinois woman visiting one of the equal suffrage states. She described it in a private letter to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, who thought the joke so good that she shared it with the readers of the Boston Woman's Journal. This young lady, Miss M. Lena Morrow, had been passing some time in Wyoming. She wrote to Mrs. Catt:

"I must tell you a joke on myself. Last Tuesday was city election day in Cheyenne. About 8:30 a. m. I passed by the B. and M. depot, and, noticing several carriages drive up and ladies get out and go into the depot, I said to myself, 'There must be a funeral party coming in on the train.' Everything was so quiet and orderly this was my first thought. I even looked around for the hearse; but, seeing none, I supposed the driver was exercising his horses till the train should come in. As I came back from my errand I observed on the back of one of the carriages, 'Vote the Republican Ticket!' and it dawned upon me that it was an election that was being held in the depot and not a funeral. Now, this is a bona fide case, and if I had not happened to see that sign, 'Vote the Republican Ticket!' I might have gone away from Cheyenne still thinking that that was a funeral instead of an election. The Cheyenne people did not seem to think it strange I should have made such a mistake, for a number of them told me that election days are the quietest of any in the year."

A White Sea Bird Instead of a Crown.

A curious headdress was worn by the young czarina of Russia at a ball not long ago. It was a whole white bird—a species of gull from the White sea—open winged, but not very large. Its eyes were of splendid rubies, its claws were diamonds, and its beak was pink coral. It was a marvelously becoming ornament and made its wearer look like the heroine of a Scandinavian fairy tale. The gown which this ornament was designed to accompany was of cream white velvet, opening over a skirt of curious, filmy, sulphur tinted lace. This lace is made in the imperial palace by half a dozen old women, the only survivors of the numerous audience that lived on the steppes near Archangel. So splendid a costume is rarely worn by the young czarina. She dislikes display, and in St. Petersburg her style of dress is called "ostentatious simplicity" by the frill loving Russians. She wears dark velvet gowns, severely made and unrelieved by jewels, when she holds small levees. She does not care for decollete gowns and seldom wears rings or bracelets—her hands and wrists "are not worth while attracting people's attention," so she says. How few women of lower station and fewer jewels ever think and act so sensibly! The braceletted woman with thick wrists and the square, short fingered hand loaded with rings is about as ungraceful an object as one could wish not to meet.

Health Reformists Rejoice.

Nobody is wearing corsets in Paris any more. The corsets are made practically with the gown. Bodices are boned in such a manner that the necessity for the small fence of whalebones and steel with which we usually encircle ourselves is absolutely not required, says an exchange. In fact, those women who wish to look absolutely slim and as if they had been poured into their clothes wear exactly one garment. Over this is put a dress that is petticoat and stays, bodice and skirt, all in one.

The method used in making these combination garments is simple. A regular boned though very narrow and very soft pair of stays is first made out of a single thickness of silk. This is fitted on to the uncorseted figure first, and then to this are added the shoulder and back pieces, which are accurately molded to the form. Then a silk petticoat is fitted to the lower edge of the stiffened lining and then the general foundation. The effect is admirable, for instead of having on a pair of heavy stays and over that a well boned bodice you are placed into one garment which combines all.

A Mirror In the Ceiling.

Formerly when a young woman sat with eyes uplifted and an expression of spiritual serenity on her countenance while she discussed such important subjects as the composition of sandwiches or the last new cotillon figure it meant that she was fairly alive to the attractions of the upturned eyes pose and that she had found it effective by more or less incessant practice, says the New York Herald. Now it means that she is aware that carefully inserted in the ceiling of her den is a mirror which reflects her graceful positions, her dreamy eyes and the expressions of her vis-a-vis when he turns to regain his lost self possession. This mirror is now a needed completion to the draperies, the sanctuary lamps, rosaries, Malay creeses, cushions and the innumerable other things of the most charming and popular nook in the hess.

About Well Known Women.

If you ask Mrs. Margaret Sangster her pet recreation or diversion—whether music, reading, the opera, etc.—she replies, "Writing essays." Her first work was a collection of religious essays and poems and was published without a thought of pecuniary gain, but simply as a means of enabling her to make a few holiday presents.

Mrs. E. D. E. N. Southworth used to declare that her chief claim to distinction was having been born in a house in which Washington had lived and in the very room which had been his. Her first story, "Retribution," published in 1840 in The National Era, is said to have been the first novel published serially in this country. In public libraries her novels are rebound oftener than other works of fiction.

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She Served the Queen.

The Hon. Flora McDonald, who died a short time ago, was not one of Queen Victoria's first maids of honor. She was, however, appointed in 1847 and served in that capacity for 27 years, since which time she had been woman of the bedchamber and extra woman of the bedchamber until recently, so that her connection with the queen's household extended over 50 years. The queen sent a beautiful wreath to her funeral.

International Women's Union.

Cora Urquhart Potter is enthusiastic about a scheme that is now brewing and will be duly organized and started by certain well known women. It is nothing more or less than a vast union of all English speaking women the world over. It will be an active organization, with the avowed object of doing everything possible to maintain peace—in other words, to prevent war. Much has been said and written about it.

MARCH AND THE LION

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NITROGEN IN THE STARS.

An Important Discovery Made at the Pulkowa Observatory.

A short time ago the Philadelphia Record gave an account of the discovery by Dr. Gill at the Cape of Good Hope of the existence of oxygen in certain stars. The importance of the discovery lay in the fact that down to that time all attempts to find this element in any of the celestial bodies had resulted in failure.

Another element, nitrogen, which has hitherto been sought in vain in the sun and the stars, has recently been discovered by Herr Belopolsky at the Pulkowa observatory in one of the variable stars in the constellation of the Swan—P. Cygni, a star of the fifth magnitude. Several photographs of a portion of the spectrum of this star were obtained by a spectograph attached to the 30 inch refractor of the observatory, and out of a total of 22 lines which appeared on the plates, 9 black and 13 dark, 7 were ascribed to nitrogen. There seems to be little room for doubt of the correctness of the identification of the lines, so that nitrogen may now safely be added to the long list of terrestrial elements found also in the celestial bodies. The other elements identified in this star are hydrogen (two lines) and helium (three lines). Eight lines are marked as of unknown origin.

Another point brought out on these photographs—doubtless significant of the cause of the star's variability if only it could be interpreted—is that, while the bright lines occupy their "normal positions," the dark lines are shifted toward the violet end of the spectrum, indicating that the body to whose light they owe their origin is moving toward us, though the bright lines indicate glowing gases which are not so moving.

Value of Weeds.

The dandelion isn't the only weed eaten by people who know what's good to eat, says The Industrial Journal. Take wild chicory, the plague of the farmer. It makes one of the finest salads served—piquant, tender and wholesome. Charlock, or wild mustard, is another bane of the farmer. He doesn't know that as a pot herb it can give a delightful flavor. The dockweeds—how annoying the whole family are! Yet the broad leaf variety and the curly leaf are used all over Europe as table vegetables. There's pokeweed, commonest of them all. In France it is cultivated. It takes the place of sage, thyme, parsley and bay leaves as a flavoring for soup. Everybody in America hates a nettle and can't see what use it is. In Scotland, Poland and Germany tender young nettle leaves are used as greens. The Germans boil them with other vegetables to give them a piquant flavor. Purslane is another weed that can be treated the same way. Most people think milkweed poisonous. It is a medicinal vegetable, with a delightful flavor of its own. The young leaves, when they are just in the right condition, are a cross between spinach and asparagus and in a salad are delicious. Sorrell, fettlens and chevril are looked on as field pests by 99 out of every 100 farmers. The hundredth one picks the choicest leaves from these weeds and sends them to market, where they find a ready sale for salads to be eaten with game and for flavoring herbs, for herbs they are and not weeds.

Intense Cold Intoxicates.

The usual results of exposure to extreme cold are loss of energy, both physical and mental, followed by drowsiness and disinclination to move. The mental faculties become torpid and the senses numbed, while the victim is seized with an irresistible desire to lie down and sleep. If this desire is yielded to, the lethargy passes into stupor, and death follows. Occasionally these symptoms are preceded by others which resemble those of intoxication and are due to a peculiar condition of the blood, which at a very low temperature takes up an insufficient quantity of oxygen and so has an injurious effect on the nervous system. It was observed during the retreat of the French from Moscow that those who were most severely affected by the cold often reeled about as if intoxicated. They also complained of giddiness and indistinctness of vision and sank gradually into a state of lethargic stupor, from which it was impossible to arouse them. Other instances are recorded in which persons became delirious and died through a short exposure to intense cold.

Danger In Artificial Teeth.

Dr. Simpson maintains that the use of artificial teeth is bad for old persons because it enables them to eat meat. The teeth, he affirms, fall out naturally at a certain age because nature means that at this particular time of life we should limit ourselves to a vegetable diet. Dr. Simpson insists that his ideas on this point are by no means as paradoxical as they may seem to some people. The idea that teeth fall out naturally at a certain age is, however, an erroneous assumption. The best authorities on dental surgery claim that with proper care and attention the natural teeth will last as long as their owner, and experience almost supports this claim.—Popular Science.

Aerial Steamer.

The airship of Count Zeppelin, a lieutenant general in the German army, now on trial beside the Bodensee in Wurttemberg, is a veritable aerial steamer. It consists of a lattice framework of aluminium 420 feet long and divided into partitions, each holding a gas bag. The whole is covered with waterproof silk and makes a cylinder 37 feet in diameter, with ogivale ends like a conical bullet. A gallery and two cars of aluminium beneath add stiffness to the machine. It is housed in a floating shed on the Bodensee.

BEST FOR THE BOWELS

If you haven't a regular, healthy movement of the bowels every day, you're sick, or will be. Keep your bowels open, and be well. Force, in the shape of violent physic or pill poison, is dangerous. The smoothest, easiest, most perfect way of keeping the bowels clear and clean is to take

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The new popular designs are now ready at our office.

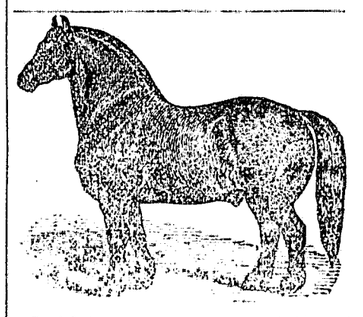
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I wish to say to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I have opened a Sale Stable at my place in Bethel, and will keep a large stock of horses, weighing from 1000 to 1600 each, constantly on hand. If you need a good horse, come to me and I will please you. 4

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WEDNESDAY, March 14, 1900.

Our consular service is to be reformed again. Despite the talk of civil service men, our service is now the best in the world and is being copied by nearly every other nation.

If Spain had treated her colonies as the United States proposes to treat them—tax them without granting them representation—the United States might have been compelled to go to war with her to make her stop.

In a recent civil service examination for letter carriers, the candidates were asked to explain the difference between the Puritans and the Pilgrims, and also what connection there was between a street railway in Washington and the Atlantic Ocean. Some of the candidates made a stagger at the first, but no one could guess at the second, and it remains a dark mystery.

The Opening of a New Era.

History shows that it is difficul—if not, indeed, quite impossible—for any age to discern the true purport of its own activities. Old ideals control public thoguht and new ideals emerge from the efforts made to reconcile new conditions with the old ideals, but the process is so gradual that it generally escapes contemporary observation. It requires but little reflection to discover that this fact introduces a valuable principle of conservatism in social progress, so that great transformation can take place without any breach of social continuity. The difference between the United States of to-day and the United States of Washington's time is as great as the difference between the acorn and the oak, but the Republic is still that which the Fathers planted.

Nevertheless, though it is impossible to foretell what the future may bring forth, there are some events so significant that it is plain that they are turning points of destiny. Such an event was the Declaration of Independence, the importance of which was apparent to contemporary observers, although they were quite unable to measure that importance. Such an event was the war with Spain, which unquestionably marks the beginning of a new era in our national history, although its nature is yet to be developed and will hardly be disclosed until our posterity, with accomplished results before them, are in a position to appreciate what we are now doing.

One fact which has already made its way to the front of our politics is that the assumption of responsibilities for the government of distant countries and peoples produces vital reactions upon our domestic affairs. Questions of this order are now confronting Congress, and their political importance is becoming sharply manifest. But how great their importance we can hardly realize, although history warns us how vast the possibilities may be.

It is, however, no reproach to our politics that such vast issues are being dealt with in a spirit of opportunism, and that party positions are being taken rather with regard to present consideration of political expediency than upon a broad view of ultimate results. This is really the only safe process, for it keeps on the safe ground of practical experience and coordinates political development with social conditions. The impulse of expansion and the fear of imperialism are reciprocal forces in the working out of national destiny under the new conditions which have presented themselves, and the vigor of contention as to the true course of national policy is a far more hopeful augury of the future than would be a wave of enthusiasm for new ideals and new principles, sweeping the nation from its old habits of thought and action.

"The Best is the Cheapest."

Experience teaches that good clothes wear longest, good food gives best nutrition, and a good medicine that cures disease is naturally the best and cheapest. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine money can buy, because it cures when all others fail.

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Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

NORWAY.

Two ladies were taken into the Congregational church, Sunday, upon confession of faith,

Miss Sybil Grant, cashier in the Radcliffe Shoe Co.'s office, is enjoying a short vacation at her home in Freeport.

Andrews' sale stable received another carload of good horses last week. Consequently business is excellent at the stable.

B. F. Spinney & Co.'s new sign in gold and black, is a neat affair, and is intended to guide strangers not acquainted with the shoe factories.

Another lecture will be given Sunday evening in the Congregational church by Rev. B. S. Rideout. This is the last in the series and will prove as beneficial as the preceding talk. All are invited to attend.

Several Grammer school boys under the leadership of Miss Virginia Weston, presented a modern minstrel entertainment in Concert Hall Wednesday evening. They had the usual first part of songs, gags, and local hits. The specialties were good. A social dance followed the program.

The Norway Clothing House fire sale, which has been running for several weeks, closed Monday evening, with a grand auction. Coats, vests, trousers, shirts, and innumerable articles were disposed of at low figures under the winsome and irresistable influence of Albert D. Park, the auccioneer. If finite mind can reason effects from knowable causes, it is safe to predect a wide spread debut in new raiment this spring and summer.

L. B. Cummings & Sons are rapidly converting that old landmark, the Brown grove, into boxes and short lumber. This heavy pine growth, near Steep Falls, has in previous years been a highly favored spot for Sunday school picnics and religious meetings. Many pleasant memories of cake or sandwich cling to this delightful spot, and the sentimentalist feel keenly the loss of the trees as one would miss an old friend or neighbor.

The Clerks' 6th an nual ball, Friday evening, goes forth as the greatest social event of its character that has taken place for many months. All who had the enterprise under their care, worked early and late to fulfill the desire of the association to make this happy meeting *the* event of the season. Nearly ninety couples formed for the grand march, so a double circle was used in the big hall. An order of nineteen dances followed. At intermission, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Of course the gowns were elaborate and well selected, grace such an occasion. Cut flowers abounded in profusion, yet were worn in good taste. Crepon paper decorations added to the beauty of the gay scene and reflected credit upon the patient and hard working committee. Financially this event was as successful as the social feature, so a neat sum was placed to the Clerks' Association's credit, as a nucleus for the next year's festivities.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Corporation Meeting.

The Bethel village corporation meeting was held last Monday evening, at which the following officers were elected:

Moderator, A. E. Herrick.
Clerk, G. R. Wiley.
Assessors, Charles Mason, E. S. Kilborn, E. H. Young.
Treasurer, E. C. Rowe.
Auditor, A. E. Herrick.
Engineers, E. E. Whitney, Chas. Chute, E. C. Park.
Collector, Eli Barker.

APPROPRIATED.

Lighting streets	$300
Fire department	300
Incidental expenses, fire department	25
Fire extinguishers	40
Outstanding notes and bills	450
Incidental expenses	100

TRUSTWORTHY SCIENCE.

The Babcock Test and Those Who Oppose It.

It is hard to explain by natural laws the slow progress made in milk testing in some localities, says The Creamery Journal. It is beyond all question that the Babcock test is the leading invention of the age in that line. It is sure that it is the only practicable method known for easily and surely ascertaining the value of the milk for butter making. It is certain that unless we know the fat content of each patron's milk it is impossible to divide the money fairly among the many patrons. It is certain that if we do not divide it fairly we are parties to fraud and injustice and have no right to hold our heads up among honest men. Why, then, are there so many creameries where no attempt is made to pay each patron his just dues?

There seems to be no answer possible to this except the meanness of man. Nature is good and honest. Science is trustworthy. The Babcock test is founded on nature and science. To use it is to make it possible to do right. To refuse to use it is to make it impossible to do right.

In the first place, some men are suspicious. The ordinary creamery patron is not an angel, but a man with the inherent feelings of mortality. He is sensitive when a neighbor gets more for his milk than he does, and he is sometimes suspicious that the testing was not impartially done. Suspicion on the part of some patrons is one cause for opposition to the use of the test.

Another cause is dishonesty. There are patrons who wish to get the better of their neighbors. We are glad to believe that they are in the minority, but they can be found, and they are always opposing anything which prevents them from succeeding in their plans. They have thin milk, and they want as much for it as if it were better milk. So with a few who wish to cheat and a few who are envious of a neighbor who beats them in the quality of milk and gets paid accordingly there is opposition to the test among patrons.

Another reason is that the suspicion that the testing is not skillfully, carefully and honestly done is sometimes well founded. There are rascals, sad to say, behind the weigh can and in the holy of holies of the creamery. Lack of confidence in the accuracy of the test is occasionally due to lack of confidence in the tester rather than in the machine.

Horse Race

As well as the human race should have good treatment. MORRISON'S ENGLISH LINIMENT besides being the one great liniment for hoof and feet trouble, has no superior for sore back, neck aud shoulders, calks, cuts, bruises, sprains, contracted cords, swelling and inflammation of all kinds. Horsemen will tell you Morrison's English Liniment is the best liniment ever put on a horse. Price, pint $1.00, half pint 50 cents. The James W. Foster Co., Prop., Bath, N. H. Morrison's English Veterinary Remedies are fully warranted.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

FOUNTAIN PEN.

We must have the people pretty well supplied with fountain pens by the way we have put them out for the past two years, but we have a few more and here they go. Bethel NEWS one year and one of the best fountain pens on the market for $1.98. This applies to new advance subscriptions and renewals. We have a limited number of these, so remember that "The first come will be first served."

A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails."

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; A. S. Bean, W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

How little we realize in our daily contact with the cow what an important part she has played in the remotest literature of the past, says Hoard's Dairyman.

The Rig Veda, the ancient scriptures of India, contains mention of Traitana, one of the divine powers which ruled the firmament, "destroying darkness and sending rain." To this divinity was given the office of rescuing the celestial cows and slaying the demons that had carried them off. "These cows," as Max Mueller tells us, "always move along the sky, some dark, some bright colored. They low over their pasture; they are gathered by the winds and milked by the bright rays of the sun; they drop from their heavy udders a fertilizing milk upon the parched and thirsty earth. But sometimes, the poet says, they are carried off by robbers and kept in dark caves near the uttermost ends of the sky. Then the earth is without rain, the pious worshiper offers up his prayer to Indra, and Indra rises to conquer the cows for him. He sends his dog to find the scent of the cattle, and after she has heard their lowing she returns, and the battle commences. Indra hurls his thunderbolt, the Maruts ride by his side, the Rudras roar, till at last the rock is cleft asunder, the demon destroyed and the cows brought back to their pasture."

This is one of the oldest myths or sayings current among the Aryan nations.

Surely if the cow has furnished such inspiration to the most ancient of poets, shall she not be deemed worthy of a tribute of praise from the farmer of today, whom she has so often saved from many a devastating financial drought?

Musty Hay.

Do not feed musty hay to dairy cows, nor in fact any kind of fodder that is musty, says an exchange. Some believe that this mustiness will not pass through into the milk, and it may be so, but we are suspicious of the truth of the assertion. It is a fact that there is a difference in the flavor of butter made on June grass and the butter made in the winter when the cows are fed on dry hay. If this difference in feed makes any difference in flavor, why may it not make a good deal of difference if the feed be particularly bad? Moldy feed is a bad thing to have around in any case and should be thrown out. Using it as cow bedding is likely to make the matter worse, for the whole stable will be scented with it, and in the morning when the milk is drawn it will certainly be tainted, and this taint will grow as the cream ripens. It is not advisable to use this for bedding and depend on airing the barn enough in the morning to get the smell out. This would be seldom done at all, and where done it would generally be done in a very imperfect manner. The presence of spoiled feed is very often the cause of poor butter.

NEW SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS

Dress Goods.

We have just received from New York the latest styles in woolen and cotton *Dress Goods.*

Woolen Dress Goods from 25c to $2.00 per yard.

Cotton Dress goods from 7c to 50c per yard.

Silks.

For Waists and Trimmings, all prices from 35c to $2.00 per yard.

Special bargains in wash silks at 50c per yard.

Ladies' Tailor Made

Suits and Jackets.

Capes, Skirts, Shirt Waists are arriving everyday, and about March 10th will have a full line and large variety of prices.

Notion Department.

Is full of new things—Gloves, Pulley Belts, Dog Collor Belts, Ribbons, etc.

CLOTHING DEPT.

Is simply full of Suits, Overcoats, Shirts and Neckties.

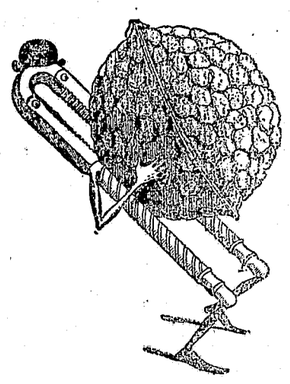
New stock all through, and we can surely please you, not only styles but prices.

Yours respectfully,

L. B. ANDREWS,

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1899.

Stocks and Bonds	$1,970,926 25
Cash in office and bank	154,011 69
Bills Receivable	91 70
Interest and Rents	5,889 95
Uncollected Premiums	163,053 99
All other assets	12,764 55
Gross Assets	$2,307,637 77
Admitted Assets	$2,307,637 77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.

Net unpaid losses	$ 151,087 45
Unearned Premiums	760,921 36
All other liabilities	32,619.70
Total	944,608 51
Surplus over all liabilities	1,363,029 26
Total liabilities and surplus	2,307,637 77

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Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel NEWS a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D 1900, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

HOWARD V. CHAPMAN, late of Bethel, deceased; first and final account presented for allowance by Horatio N. Upton, administrator.

HANNAH J. CARR, late of Upton, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Ellery C. Park, administrator.

HATTIE G. CHAPMAN, ward of Bethel: first account presented for allowance by Horatio N. Upton, guardian.

ASA F. STEARNS, late of Rumford, deceased; petition for distribution of balance in hands of the administratrix, presented by Angie P. Stearns, said administratrix.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:

3w49 ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

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SOUTH PARIS.

Mrs. Kendall Swift is quite sick.

Mr. Frank Moulton went to Yarmouth, Thursday.

Mrs. James Crooker of Locke Mills, visited her sister, at So. Paris last week.

The sled factory was shut down, two or three days last week on account of a broken shaft.

Mr. John Murphy went to Lewiston, Thursday, to visit his son, who is attending school there.

Mr. Charles Pratt went to Boston on a business trip, last week, and while there attended the Annual Sportsman's Exhibition.

Mr. Fred Briggs, formerly of this place, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Briggs on his return from California, last week.

The Rebakahs entertained the Mechanic Falls and Buckfield sisters, Friday evening. A very pleasant evening is reported.

Mr. Herman Wilson is tearing out the front of the Pulsifer shoe store, and will build a piece on the back. This will make two desirable rents which are already engaged.

The Pine Tree Social Club met at the home of Mrs. Asaph Witham, Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Jennie Brett, winning the Shining Star and Mrs. Nettie Murphy, the Green one. It meets at Mrs. Helen Child's to-day.

Saturday evening, the gentlemen of the Pine Tree Social Club entertained the ladies at the home of Mr. J. Hannaford on Paris St. There being more ladies than gentlemen, Mrs. Winn Besse took a gentleman's chair and won first prize. Mrs. John Murphy won the first prize for ladies; Mrs. George Soper, the booby prize. Fruit and ice cream were served, and a very pleasant evening enjoyed by all.

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Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.

At THIS SEASON

there is a great demand for White Muslins. For this season we have made special preparation and purchased goods that will interest you.

White Goods Department.

1 lot Corded Muslins, only 7c
1 lot Pretty Check Muslins, only 8c
1 lot Lace Check Muslin, 10c
1 lot Crinkled Stripes, 12½c
1 lot Fine Corded and Crinkled goods, only 18c
1 lot 27 in. India Lawn, only 6c
1 lot 33 in. India Lawn, only 12½c
1 lot 40 in. Lawn, a great bargain, 18c
Special values. 20c, 25c, 37½c & 50c
1 lot Remnants of White Goods at greatly reduced prices.

Attend this sale
if you can, but if impossible WRITE FOR SAMPLES.

Thomas Smiley,
NORWAY, ME.

WEST BETHEL.

"The devil makes the strong March wind
That lifts the skirts too high;
But angels send the whirling snow,
That blows in the bad man's eye.

E. J. Bell has been confined to his house by illness, for a few days.

Mrs. J. F. Pike and Mrs. W. H. Merrow are still in quite feeble health.

Frank P. Kimball, of the firm of Holt & Kimball, is selling dry goods at cost.

Some people do not seem to be able to keep their sleigh right side up, on the roads.

Mr. Seth Wight has been very sick for a week, and no improvement is yet seen in his condition.

Miss Maud Merrow has been staying at home since the close of her school in Hanover, and is doing housework.

Misses Lula M. Arno and Helen E. Bisbee of Bethel Hill have been visiting their friend, Miss Ethel Allen of this village.

NEWRY CORNER.

Our days are more than two hours longer.

Hubert York has purchased a farm at Norway.

Mrs. J. R. Howard is in somewhat better health.

C. W. Godwin is supplying Horatio Parker with hay.

Miss Ethel Hastings is visiting friends at Waterville.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith is increased by the addition of a little daughter.

On account of wretched travelling the patrons of Bear River Grange, have again postponed their oyster supper.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mr. R. W. Kilgore went to Waterford, Saturday.

Mrs. M. L. Thurston is spending this week in Andover.

Leroy and John Vail returned home last Friday, from the woods.

Leon Fuller and a friend from Bethel, were in town Sunday.

Mr. R. B. Thurston and family spent Sunday at his brother's, M. L. Thurston.

Mrs. Nettie Thompson returned from Gorham, N. H., last week, where she has been working.

Mrs. Sophia Littlehale has been confined to the house for the past week on account of illness.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle, which was held last week, was a success, there being forty-three present.

MASON.

Loton Hutchinson has gone to Berlin, N. H.

The first crow of the season was seen Saturday.

Lumbering has been badly blockaded for a month past.

Douglass Cushing is cutting the pine timber on his meadow lot.

Mr. Leighton's teams were without grain for a few days on account of drifted roads.

F. I. Bean is getting his mill ready to start up as soon as there is sufficient water.

S. O. Grover is cutting and hauling his ice from Songo pond. Chas. Dunham is helping him.

Ervin Hutchinson is hauling birch to F. I. Bean's mill for G. B. Mills. Leland Mills and Henry Wood are cutting it.

Arthur Tyler and Vibert Mills are hauling logs for George Leighton. Mr. Leighton thinks if he can have two weeks of good sledding he can finish his job.

GILEAD.

Miss Mae Maker is visiting in Berlin, N. H.

Mr. A. J. McAlister went to Portland, Saturday, on business.

Mr. J. W. Bennett went to Portland, Saturday, returning Monday.

A. J. McAlister is moving to West Bethel, and will occupy one of Mrs. Bean's rents.

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It is the essence of Power, Vigor, Strength, Energy, Health!
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It feeds the nerves with the snapping Vitality of Nerve Force.
It Purifies, Enriches, and Invigorates the Blood—Life's Vital Fluid.
With your blood and nerves right, you will be in Perfect Health.
Dr. Greene's Nervura is the remedy that Cures.
It makes the Weak Strong.
It makes the Sick Well.
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HANOVER.

Lee Virgin died March 1, 1900.

Snow storms, drifts, and bad travelling.

Born, Mar. 4, to the wife of Forest Howe, a daughter.

Frank Barker was at home from Framingham, Mass., last week.

Dwight Virgin came home to attend the funeral of his brother.

A student of Gould's Academy last Saturday, walked eight miles to Hanover Center, on snow-shoes.

Crows have put in their appearance.

There has been no dancing school the past two weeks.

G. L. Smith is running his mill to its fullest capacity.

Bert Patterson has finished work for John Allen, and is now working for Z. W. Bartlett of East Bethel.

Snow is quite deep in this locality, but unusually level. There are no deep drifts, and I can not discover where your correspondent of two weeks ago. found them five and six feet deep.

SOUTH BETHEL.

Frank Jackson is working for Gilman Blake.

Frank Cummings will begin sawing birch next week.

Mr. Bradbury and L. W. Russell are cutting ice three feet thick from the R. J. Virgin fish pond.

The roads are almost impassable and lumbering is nearly at a standstill as it is not possible to get in lumber unless it is yarded.

Mrs. Frank Cummings has tried twice to have the Circle meet at her house but the inclemency of the weather each Thursday has prevented anyone from getting there.

Aurelius Stevens, I. A. Cushman, and J. S. Hutchins have filled their ice houses the past week, with ice thirty inches thick, clear and blue from Locke's pond. Harvey Morton cut it for them.

The recent rains came near washing Eli Cushman out. If he had not shovelled ditches and cut away ice, it would have been pretty damp around his place. As it was, it floated his hen house and ran into his cellar.

"Self Preservation

Is the first law of Nature." For this reason everyone who is ill desires to become well. Those who have impure or impoverished blood turn to Hood's Sarsaparilla, because they know it will enrich and purify their blood and give them good health. To take this medicine on the first appearance of impure blood is an important step toward self preservation. Hood's Pills cure sick headache, and indigestion.

A Soldier's Confession.

A soldier "at the front," referring to the fact that many of the women army nurses are young and good looking, writes:

"The nurse attending me was a distractingly handsome girl with a pure Greek profile, reddish brown hair—the kind that seems full of little golden tendrils in the sunlight—and eyes as liquid as a fawn's. The first time she put her finger on my wrist my pulse ran up to at least 175, and she took it for granted that I had a high fever and dosed me accordingly. I tried repeatedly to lure her into conversation, but she wouldn't be lured. She was strictly business. When I started to pay her compliments, she would ask me to put out my tongue, which was an insurmountable obstacle to conversation. I used to lie there with my tongue hanging out trying to put my soul into my eyes, but it was no go. No man can look romantic with half a foot of furry red tongue protruding from his countenance. Another way she had of gagging me was by putting the thermometer in my mouth. The last week I proposed to her five times—or, rather, I tried to—but she invariably choked off my declarations by thrusting a thermometer into my mouth. I got so excited one time that I came near swallowing a thermometer worth several dollars. She was a most excellent young woman and had lots of sound common sense, as was evidenced by the fact that she gave me no encouragement whatever."—Army and Navy Journal.

Idol of the Girls.

Of Mlle. Chaminade, with whose compositions every lover of music is fond and familiar, Ethelyn Friend Middleton writes in Ladies' Home Journal: "She is as sweet and unaffected as is her work. She is absolutely lacking in pose or self consciousness—most strangely so when one reflects how widespread is her fame and that many months of every year of her life have been spent on the concert platform. She is a tiny woman, with a dainty, well rounded little figure and quick, birdlike movements. Her hands are the prettiest imaginable, white, smooth, with long, nervous fingers, but small. Her dark hair is cut in short curls, parted on one side, and her skin is fair and fresh. Her face has a boyish look, and it is decidedly gentle and mobile. She has but one great enthusiasm, and that is for work. She practices but little now—only when preparing her programme for a concert tour or on the days when she is to play in public. Her best efforts are directed toward composition, and the playing of the piano is with her a secondary thing."

Ripeness In Cream.

The preferable degree of ripeness in the cream will be indicated by the following points, says Professor Robertson of Canada: A mild, pleasant, acid taste, a uniformly thick consistency and a glossy appearance somewhat like oil paint. If not at the exact temperature desired for churning, it should be cooled or warmed to that point, which may range from 54 to 64 degrees F., according to the season. It should be strained into the churn, and the churn should not be filled to more than two-fifths of its capacity. If butter color is to be used, it should be added to the cream before the churning is commenced.

Are You a Dairyman?

"Because you own cows, do you consider yourself a dairyman?" asks George E. Newell in The American Cultivator. "You are not a dairyman in the true sense of the word unless your cows are making you financially better off at the end of every year. Are they doing it?"

ANDOVER.

The High school closed this week. It is hoped Miss Gilbert will return for another term.

The Assemblies are nearly at an end. Thursday, March 14, they close with a ball. A chicken-pie supper will be served.

The snow shovel has been used pretty freely in the past three weeks. Some say that the snow lies five feet on a level. I wonder what is the matter with this for a "good old-fashioned winter."

The Town Hall is to be renovated in the near future. The King's Daughters have already procured the required amount of steel sheathing for a handsome ceiling and with the necessary painting and beautiful finish of hard pine, we shall have a room to be proud of.

Mr. Simon Learned and his son went into the woods, one day last week, and the storm coming on, so blinded them that they lost their way, and after wandering about a long time, finally came out at a farm house in Newry. As they did not return home until the following day, their friends became somewhat alarmed about them.

The Congregational Church will hold its Centennial services some time in August of this year. Ere long we can give particulars and a list of the committees. Great preparations will be made to have this event celebrated as it should be, and we sincerely hope that all friends interested in this society in the past as well as in its future prosperity, will unite with us in making it a successful and pleasant season.

The number of scholars attending the school at the village is so large that more roomy accommodations must be had. It is proposed to take the present library rooms for this use, and erect a handsome building for the library, on or near the Common. A committee was appointed at the annual town meeting to look up the matter and report at a special town meeting, Mar. 24, and at this time action will be taken upon the matter.

UPTON.

Bennie Bartlett is working for Hollis Abbott.

A. W. Judkins and family are at Norway, visiting his parents.

Mrs. Etna Lane is able to sit up a very little. Mrs. Albert Fuller is staying with her.

Hollis Abbott has gone to Portland to visit his brother, Asa F. Abbott, who is sick with pneumonia.

John F. Coolidge, who hauls freight, was eight days making a single trip from Upton to Bethel and back. He finally succeeded in getting home with about 100 lbs. of freight, having left parts of his load at various places below the Notch. The snow is so deep, it is extremely difficult for the tote teams to keep the logging camps well supplied with hay and provisions.

We have saved many doctor bills since we began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home We keep a bottle open all the time and whenever any of my family or myself begin to catch cold we begin to use the Cough Remedy, and as a result we never have to send away for a doctor and incur a large doctor bill, for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never fails to cure. It is certainly a medicine of great merit and worth.—D. S. MEARKLE, General Merchant and Farmer, Mattie, Bedford county, Pa.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, A. S. Bean, W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett-Gilead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Simon Stahl has been in town selling watches and jewelry.

One of Carl Wight's men was hurt while working in the woods last week.

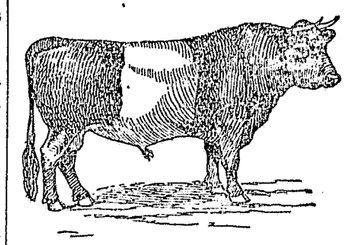
H. E. Ellingwood started for his home in Milan, Sunday with his son, E. E. Ellingwood who has been quite sick.

A farmer way out in Oregon, writing to the publishers of Horse Book, advertised in this issue, says: "I have read a number of books on the horse; some of them were large and of high price, but Biggle Horse Book did me more real good than any of them." The price is 50 cents, free by mail; address the publishers, Wilmer Atkinson Co., Philadelphia.

THRIFTY MILKERS

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DUTCH BELTED BREED OF CATTLE.

The domestic cattle of Holland appear to have had a common origin, and the prevailing markings of all are black and white, says Chief Alvord of the dairy division of the bureau of animal industry. The distribution of colors differs, however, and one branch of this general stock has been so peculiarly marked for a century or two—



DUTCH BELTED BULL DUKE OF RALPH.

some claim three—as to fix its name and secure recognition as a breed. What are known in Holland as "Lakenfeld" cattle are called Dutch Belted in this country.

The animals of this breed are all jet black, with a broad band or belt of pure white encircling the body. This belt or blanket differs in width, but rarely reaches so far forward as the shoulder blade or back to the hips. On cows the fore part of the udder is usually included. No white is admissible elsewhere on the body and no black within the white zone. In general conformation the cattle are of the dairy type, although not to such a degree as some others.

They are docile beasts and fairly hardy and vigorous in growth and action. In size they rank with the Ayrshire, although perhaps somewhat less blocky and with longer legs. Individuals are larger in frame, but not often heavier. This breed is not numerous either in Europe or America. A few specimens were brought to the United States in 1838, and for a long time there were more to be found in the famous dairying county of Orange, N. Y., than in all other parts of the country combined. They have become more scattered during recent years, and the interests of the breed are represented by the Dutch Belted Cattle association of America. As milk producers these belted cows seem to give good satisfaction, although the milk is not above the average in quality. The claim of a leading breeder is that these cattle are "deep milkers, practical, profitable, thrifty and picturesque in the extreme when seen as a herd at pasture."

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in the County of Oxford deceased and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Feb'y 20th 1900. Esther K. Frye.

Lost.

A class ring, bearing the letters X. C. and the class motto "Deeds not words" on the inside. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving same at the NEWS office.

For Sale.

A No. 6 twelve can cream tank, and cans, almost new. Also six good cows coming in this spring. Inquire of H. I. BEAN, Albany, Me.

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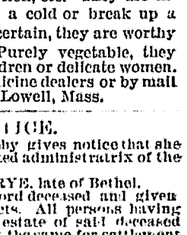
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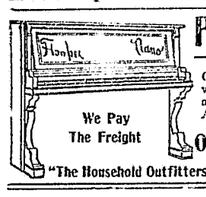
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Help... Nature

Babies and children need proper food, rarely ever medicine. If they do not thrive on their food something is wrong. They need a little help to get their digestive machinery working properly.

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FIGHTING FIRES

SOME OF THE NEWEST DEVICES IN USE BY FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

New York's fire chief, Edward Croker, nephew of the Tammany boss, has invented the latest device, a "light engine." The new engine will not be used directly to help put out fires, says a correspondent of the Chicago Inter Ocean. Nor will it be used at all in the daytime. But in the nighttime it will be invaluable to the firemen. It will have a high pressure boiler and a high speed engine, like all other fire engines, but in place of a pump and pipes it will have a big electric dynamo and a powerful searchlight. This searchlight will be different from all others. Instead of throwing a great beam a long distance it will radiate illumination over a wide area.

The ordinary searchlight has a lens made of bars of glass running straight up and down. This concentrates the full strength of the light in a solid beam that carries anywhere from 500 feet to five miles. In the light designed by Chief Croker the glass bars are placed horizontally in the lens frame.



FIREMAN'S HELMET.

This spreads the light, as shot is spread out of a choke bore gun. It doesn't carry nearly so far, but covers much more space on the target.

The introduction of the "light engine" will mean the elimination of one of the greatest sources of danger for the fire fighters. Nothing is so productive of accidents at night fires as the darkness. In the daytime and in light places men are seldom caught in a trap, even when a "smothered fire" has eaten away the props of floor or roof. If he can only see, the fireman's practiced eye can generally discern preliminary indications of danger when the support on which he is standing or the particular place that he is approaching has been undermined. But at night he can discern nothing of these indications and must blindly take chances, trusting to luck and agility for his escape when the trap manifests itself by the trembling that always precedes the caving in of a roof or floor.

Even if he notices the trembling in time or if a burst of flame shooting out of the smudge reveals it to him he frequently finds himself unable to escape, because in the darkness and smoke he does not know which way to turn for safety. Often even after the floor or roof has sunk under his feet the fireman might still save himself if he could only see. Somewhere in most "caves" there is a way out or a shelter, but at night the fireman, groping helplessly in the dark, must rely entirely on his sense of touch to find either.

The smoke helmet, though not so novel, is an exceedingly useful contrivance. It is an awkward looking affair, about two feet high and somewhat over three feet in circumference. It is carried in a polished hard wood case and is guarded and tended as carefully as a watch, for the firemen are very much attached to it. It is made of leather. It covers the head completely, and its base rests on the shoulders, where it is held firmly in position by means of straps that run under the armpit. It is intended to be worn in places so filled with smoke that an unprotected man could not exist therein at all.

Although the life saving cage recently adopted by the New York fire department has not yet been put to a practical test, the firemen expect great things from it. It looks not unlike a toboggan. The cage is about six feet long and two and a half wide, with wire sides and a curved bottom, made of heavy metal. It is made to run along a strong ladder, elevated by means of a windlass and working on a revolving platform fastened at the front end of the hook and ladder truck that carries it. It is attached to a stout wire cable which passes over a pulley at the top of the ladder and is under the control of a fireman whose station is on the truck. After the ladder has been raised it is swung around against the front of the building, and then the "cage" is ready for business.

Sows' Milk For Babies.

A novel petition has just been submitted to the French chamber of deputies by a woman resident in the Finistere department. She proposes that steps be taken to test the quality of sows' milk as a form of nourishment for babies. Donkeys' milk, as is well known, is superior to cows' milk for the purpose, but the employment of the domestic pig has the merit of novelty. Several doctors have already pronounced in favor of the innovation, however.—London Chronicle.

BARN SILOS.

Two Effective and Inexpensive Silos Built In an Old Barn.

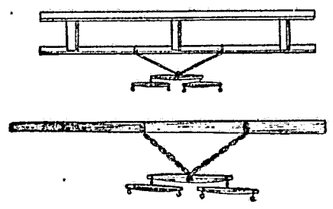
A good and effective silo can be built at a comparatively small cost, according to an American Agriculturist correspondent, who tells how he accomplished the matter: I have two small silos, one holding 40 and the other 60 tons. I raise and put into these silos on an average 90 tons of ensilage each year and find that this amount will carry 12 cows for six months. The smaller of the two silos was erected 12 years ago and is still doing good service. The other one was built eight years after. They were put up for a cash outlay of less than $20 each. Most of the labor was done by myself on days when it was too stormy for outside work.

The silos are built in the ends of two bays in the barn. The barn is old style, with no basement, the thrashing floors being raised about 4½ feet above the level of the ground. In building the silos a trench two feet deep was first dug under the three sills and across the bottom of the bay. This trench was filled with small field stone well rammed. A two foot wall of larger field stone laid in mortar was built on top of this and well cemented under the sills. It was only necessary to erect studding for one wall, using 2 by 10 plank 17 feet long, that being the height of the barn posts. The frame of the barn surrounding three sides of the bay joined the other walls. Unplaned spruce boards were nailed up and down on the frame inside and out. Tarred paper was then tacked over this course, lapping the paper six inches. A second course of boards was then nailed on, taking care to break joints. This made four courses of boards and two layers of paper on each wall—i. e., counting the inside and outside of wall.

A beveled board one foot wide was then nailed up and down the inside of each corner and the space behind filled with sawdust. The bottom or floor was dug out saucer shaped. Six inches of small stones were then put over the floor and rammed solid. Coarse, clean gravel was next tamped in until the spaces between the stones were thoroughly filled, and finally an inch of best Portland cement was then put on and floated off smooth. The cement was made with sand, four parts of the latter to one of cement. The door was made 32 inches wide and extended from plate to barn floor, the latter being four feet from bottom of silo. Two cleats were nailed on inside of door jambs from top to floor, and door sections were made of two thicknesses of boards to fit in the grooves made by the cleats. These sections are put in as the silos are being filled, and tarred paper is tacked on the inside and the silage thrown against it.

Breaking Down Corn Stubble.

Concerning the thrashing down of corn stubble in fields that are to be planted in oats an Ohio Farmer correspondent advises that the work be done when the ground is frozen hard, with an inch or less snow on. Get a straight pole about 33 feet long and about 4 inches in diameter at the smallest end. This will reach across eight or nine rows. Cut two notches around it about eight feet apart. Cut the notches nearer the butt than the top of the pole, as it is larger and heavier at that end, and then fasten a log chain around the in each notch and bring the ends together and fasten to the



CORN STUBBLE BREAKERS.

clevis of the doubletrees, as in Fig. 1. He thinks this is a better way than harrowing down corn stubble in the spring, as the stub will be broken off from the root and will not be so much in the way in cultivating and drilling.

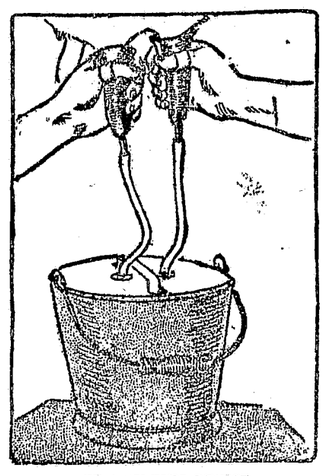
As an amendment to this plan another writer suggests the use of two poles instead of one, fastened together as shown in the second figure, which he says will work better. Bore two inch auger holes in poles and use good, tough pieces three feet long for crosspieces. Put the large end of the one with the small end of the other. Not more than 25 feet in length is advised unless the ground is very level.

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KEEP OUT THE DIRT

NEW MECHANICAL DEVICE TO AVOID THE CONTAMINATION OF MILK.

Doctors, scientists and agricultural experts are all very much concerned at the present time about the contamination of milk and the serious consequences that are apt to result from it. In the up to date dairy every effort is made to keep the milk from being contaminated by stable dirt or foreign matter, which may adhere to the cow's teats or flanks, or which may be floating around in the air in the stable. Among the precautions suggested are mechanical milkers, but these have not come into extensive use, although in one form or another there are isolated examples of their use in dairies in different parts of the world. The illustration here presented is a suggestion along this line and represents the idea of John C. Dulgan of Melbourne, Victoria. It comprises teat cups, with finger loops for the thumb and finger arranged longitudinally on opposite sides, which prevent the milker's hands from coming in contact with the teats and thus transferring dirt or disease germs from one animal to another. The milk is conducted to the milk pail through rubber tubes, and, as the pail is inclosed, there is no contamination there, so that, provided the milk is from a good, healthy cow, the dairyman is assured of milk as pure and free from contamination as it is possible to get it.



NEW MILKING DEVICE.

The Dual Purpose Cow.

Numerous have been the articles regarding the dual purpose animal, and it has been noticed that the last ditch in the line of defense taken by the opponents of this valuable animal is the difficulty of producing her, writes Professor A. G. Hopkins of the Wisconsin College of Agriculture in The Breeder's Gazette. Judging from the standpoint of the special purpose man, this objection is well nigh insuperable, and yet when investigation is made among those pure breds and their grades, which are allowed to come the nearest to dual purpose stock, we find that the objection stated is no longer tenable.

No one will deny but that the special purpose cow has her place, and in all fairness we should also allow as much for the dual purpose animal. To be specific, the place for the dual purpose cow, a cow that will not only give a fair quantity of milk and butter, but that will also produce a calf that will make, if properly fed, a marketable, fat animal, is in the west, in northern Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, the Dakotas and the Canadian northwest. According to my own observations and experience, I have no hesitation in saying that the Shorthorn will give us the dual purpose animal, and doubtless such breeds as the Red Polls may also do it. As to the other breeds I am unable, through lack of experience, to claim such a valuable quality or characteristic for them.

A New Occupation For Ladies.

To a woman who is fond of horses there can be no greater pleasure than to be constantly among them. And for women who combine means with a love for horseflesh we commend the new and very fashionable idea of pony farms. Two ladies have already become farmers and breed a special kind of Shetland on a farm managed by themselves, and now that ponies of all kinds have become so fashionable for driving such a venture is sure to be a very paying one, provided money and knowledge are combined with personal supervision.

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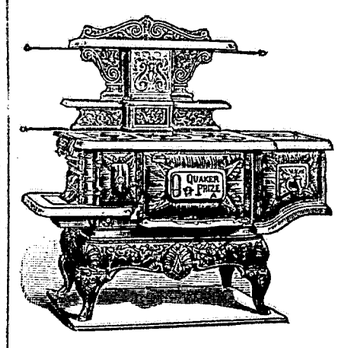
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Gilead,	5.02	8.46	3.15
West Bethel,	5.14	8.56	3.26
BETHEL,	**5.24**	**9.04**	**3.33**
Locke's Mills,	5.36	9.13	3.42
Bryant Pond,	5.45	9.21	3.50
South Paris,	6.17	9.53	4.19
Portland,	8.10	11.30	5.45

TRAINS FROM PORTLAND TO ISLAND POND RUN AS FOLLOWS:

	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.
Portland,	6.00	1.30	8.10
South Paris,	7 58	3.38	9.53
Bryant Pond,	8.35	4.18	10.23
Locke's Mills,	8 45	4.27	10.30
BETHEL,	**9.00**	**4.38**	**10.39**
West Bethel,	9 10	4.46	10 47
Gilead,	9.24	4.59	10.58
Gorham,	10.00	5.42	11.20
Island Pond,	12.20	8.00	1.18

Sunday paper train leaves Portland going west at 8.30 a. m., South Paris 10.19, Bryant Pond 10.51, Locke's Mills 10.50, Bethel 10.10, West Bethel 11.20, Gilead 11.34, Gorham 12.00, arriving in Berlin 12.15.

The train which leaves Island Pond at 2 40 A. M., and the one which leaves Portland at 6.00 P. M., run every day; all others every day except Sunday.

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Assets Dec. 31st, 1899.

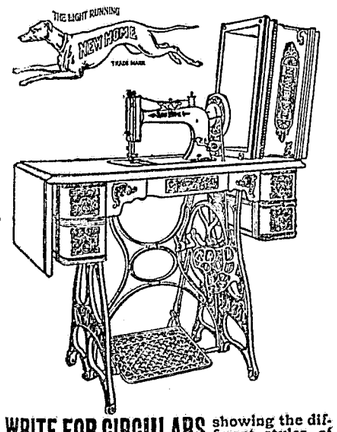
Real Estate	$ 31,985.70
Mortgage Loans	219,600.00
Collateral Loans	25,500.00
Stocks and Bonds	1,767,376.90
Cash in office and Bank	88,632.33
Interest and Rents	13,148.68
Uncollected Premiums	110,644.28
All other assets	28,950.17
Gross Assets	$ 2,285,847.06
Deduct items not admitted	2,043.19
Admitted Assets	$2,283,803.87

Liabilities Dec. 31st, 1899.

Net unpaid losses	105,940.33
Unearned premiums	631,827.93
All other liabilities	24,526.19
Total	$ 762,294.45
Cash Capital	500,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities	1,021,509.42
Total liabilities and surplus	2,283,803.87

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HOW LITTLE MERCY EARNED A NEW GOWN.

It was ever so many years ago that Betty's great-grandmother was a little girl, but she was a little girl once and the youngest child of a good old fashioned New England family. That means that she had a great many brothers and sisters. Little Mercy—great-grandmother's name was Mercy—was a pet with them all, I am sure, and she must have been a pretty little girl, with her big blue eyes and golden curls.

In those days, when almost every home held many children, the young folks had to help mother and father do the work, and they often had to spend a part of their time in earning money to help buy their clothes.

Little Mercy's sisters used to braid straw. Such things were not done by machinery then, and the straw had to be braided by hand for every straw hat that was made.

The rye straw was brought in from the fields and bleached on the grass and scalded in soapsuds and smoked with sulphur in a barrel and then dried and split with a little hand machine into strands and so by slow degrees made ready for use. Then the girls would braid the strands in many pret-



SHE WORE IT TO MEETING THE VERY NEXT SUNDAY.

ty patterns, and when they carried it to the village the storekeeper would take their straw braid and give them in exchange dress goods or shoes or groceries, whatever they might want.

When Mercy was 4 years old, she thought it was quite time that she, too, began to "braid."

"Won't you show me how?" she kept saying to her eldest sister. "I do so want to do it."

Her sister looked down into the little eager face. "I don't want to teach you," she said. "If you know how, you will have to do it. Then you will be sorry I taught you."

But little Mercy persisted.

"I do want to know," she said, "and I won't be sorry," and at last her sister put some straw in the small hands and taught Mercy how to braid.

The little girl was very proud of her first bit of work and ran to show it to her mother.

"I want you to set me a stent," she begged, "just like the other girls." That meant that she would have to do a certain length of braid each day.

"Very well," said mother; "you may do half a yard."

That seemed a very small stent. The others had to do a great many yards.

Mercy sat down on her little stool at her little three legged table. On the table she had a bowl of water to wet her fingers to keep the straw strands damp and flexible so that they would not break as she braided them.

Her sister was very kind and helped her when she made mistakes, but Mercy's little fingers soon began to grow tired, and it seemed long before the first half yard was finished.

Every day after that Mercy braided her half yard, and by and by her mother thought she could have a longer stent, so she told her to braid a yard.

The little girl sometimes wearied of her task, but when she saw her roll of braid growing larger and larger she was not sorry she had learned to work like her sisters, and she never failed to braid her yard.

At last one proud day mother tied on Mercy's bonnet, and they took the roll of braid and walked down to the village store.

"Mercy has been braiding," her mother said, as the storekeeper took the package. "This is her first work, and now we want to know what it is worth."

"Well, well, I am sure she is a very smart little girl," said the man, as he examined Mercy's work. "She has done it very evenly, and I will give her enough print to make a pretty gown. She may choose it herself."

How Mercy's eyes danced when she heard him!

So they walked over to the dry goods counter, and the storekeeper took down all his pieces of print and let Mercy look at them.

Her mother rather favored those in dark colors, but the little girl shook her head.

"I like this one," she said at last, laying her hand on the very prettiest piece of all. It was white, with a blossomy pink stripe about two inches wide. It came from England and cost 25 cents a yard. Any little blue eyed, sunny haired, rosy cheeked girl would have chosen it, I am sure.

"Very well," said the storekeeper. And he cut off several yards of the print and wrapped it up, handing the package to little Mercy herself. She hugged it tight in her arms all the way home, and her mother and eldest sister made the dress for her, and she wore it to meeting the very next Sunday. It was cut low in the neck, with a wide ruffle falling over, and the sleeves were short and ruffled too. There were pantalets, like the dress, that came to the tops of her low black morocco shoes. She wore a large, open straw bonnet, and if it had been cold she would have worn a little shawl, folded so as to have three corners.

I know she never had a gown that she liked any better; for although Mercy has grown to be a great-grandmother she has not forgotten about it. "When I was not much older than you," she said, to Betty, "I earned a new dress for myself." And then she took some fine, narrow strips of paper and tried to teach her little great-granddaughter how to braid straw while she told her this true story.—Kate Whiting Patch in Little Folks.

Butted Everywhere.

The common or domestic goat was originally a native of the highlands of Asia. Naturalists generally regard it as having descended from an animal found in the Caucausus mountains and the hill country of Persia, called in the Persian language the pesang. Its legs are longer than those of the common goat, and its horns are very much larger. The common goat has existed as a domestic animal in oriental countries from the very earliest times. From there it spread all over the world, manifesting a remarkable adaptability to climate and circumstances. In this diversity of surroundings great diversity of breeds have appeared, such as the Angora goat, the Syrian goat, the Cashmere goat, the Guinea goat of Africa and many others. No quadruped, except the dog, has shown such susceptibility of variation. These differences show most markedly in the quality and quantity of the hair and in the relative abundance of the two coats, the long silky outer covering and the softer woolly hair beneath it.

Among the Greeks and Romans the goat was sacrificed to Bacchus because of its tendency to injure grapevines by eating the young tendrils and leaves. All the species of goats are natives of the old world. The Rocky mountain goat, so called, of North America really belongs to the antelope family.

Pussy Understood.

This story may sound a little bit like a fairy story, and you may think it safer not to believe it, but it is just as true as can be, for the owner of the cat said so himself.

He was a fine, black Persian cat and came proudly marching into the house one day with a poor little sparrow in his mouth, for pussies will catch birds, no matter how fine their family blood may be.

After showing his prize pussy went to the front door, and, thinking the mat there would make a nice table, commenced his meal. Of course he scattered a great many feathers around and made the front entrance look anything but tidy, and the cook was not pleased at the litter pussy had made and told him so and said the next time he chose to dine there he must turn the mat over on the wrong side. And, following his own text, cook turned the mat over.

About two weeks afterward pussy brought another bird to the front door, and, though the mat was quite heavy for him, took his claws and turned it over as cook had told him to do. Then he proceeded to enjoy his feast.—Pittsburg Press.

He Loved Animals.

Charles Kingsley seems to have loved every living creature around him, and he taught his children to respect even the most loathsome insects. Mrs. Kingsley tells how a family of runaway toads made their home in a hole of green bank at Eversley, and the scythe was never allowed to approach their retreat. He had two little friends in a pair of sand wasps which lived in a crack of the window in his drawing room, one of which he had saved from drowning in a basin of water, and every spring he would look out eagerly for them or their young, which came out of or returned to the same crack.

He petted the white stable cat and the black house cat and sat up with a sick dog during the last two nights of its suffering life. Wherever he went he was followed about the parish by his faithful little Dandy Dinmont, whose intelligent face was always to be seen at the lectures and school lessons and was known to every cottager in the place, being almost as much esteemed by them as the Kingsley children, whose attached friend he was for ten years.

Better Than the Poorhouse.

The organized charities of New York place poor orphan boys in the homes of good farmers throughout the state, where they work and enjoy life much better than they would if placed in city



FROM SLUM TO FARM.

institutions. The experiment has been successful, and both the farmers and the boys approve the plan, as the above picture, from a photograph made for the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, shows.

GROWING GOOSEBERRIES.

Proper Soil, Fertilizer, Etc.—How to Plant, Prune and Cultivate.

Gooseberries do best on a clay soil which has been made rich by a liberal application of well rotted manure. I find that few fertilizers surpass barnyard manure. I have also used as a mulch well rotted straw, wood and coal ashes, leaves, vines and anything that could be gathered up. After selecting the location I prepare my land by plowing and pulverizing thoroughly. I then mark out rows six feet apart, using great care to have them perfectly straight. With two horses and a large plow I furrow out and set my plants six feet apart in the furrow. The plants can then be cultivated each way. To some this distance may seem great, but I find from experience that it is much the best, as there is plenty of room for cultivation and the application of fertilizers. The space between the bushes can be utilized for growing beans, cucumbers, muskmelons, dwarf tomatoes and the like, as the vines remain green a long time, thus affording shade and protection to the soil during the summer.

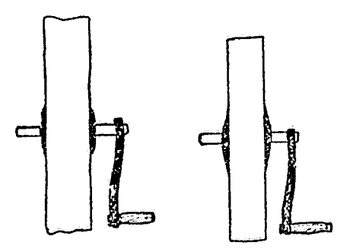
I prefer to plant in spring as soon as the soil is dry enough to work well, especially if the plants have been taken up the previous fall and heeled in over winter. Select hardy, vigorous bushes and take great care in setting. It is of the greatest importance to get a full stand, for plants that are put in later are at a great disadvantage and seldom do well. Properly prune both roots and tops before planting, lay the roots out straight in the furrow and cover with a fine, rich soil. With me cultivation is the easiest part. With a section of my steel harrow I can do the work to perfection at small cost. After the fruit is harvested and the vine crop, if any, is out of the way I plow the longest way of the field with a diamond plow, throwing the soil to the bushes. In early spring I cultivate the other way and harrow, which levels the ground and prepares it for the small crops. The sooner this plowing is done after the fruit is off the better, concludes a writer in New England Homestead.

A New York Farmer's Ideas.

I use shavings for bedding. Every day the pens are carefully cleaned out, and a thick layer of fine spruce log wood shavings is put in. The shavings absorb all the moistures created by the cattle, take up little room and are easily cleaned up and carted off for manure. I buy the shavings for about 20 cents a bale of 100 pounds or $4 a ton. Now, straw, which is hard to get at times, costs from $8 to $10 a ton, does not absorb the moisture and is difficult to handle.

The Hard Lot of the Grindstone.

The grindstone on the farm sees pretty hard usage. The softer the stone, the harder usage it receives. The grinding surface of the stone is more likely to be as shown at the left of the cut than it is to have an even face or slightly beveled surface, as at the right in the same picture. The former condition comes from grinding axes, scythes, machine knives, etc., with their edges lengthwise of the stone instead of across it. This cannot be helped in grinding some tools. But when the stone does assume this shape, making it impossible to grind a chisel or any flat edged tool decently, it is a good time to get a spade—spades are usually dull—and hold it on the stone until it is sharp, when the irregularities in the surface of the stone will



UNTRUE AND TRUE GRINDSTONES.

have disappeared. A grindstone should never be left exposed to the sun. The weight of the handle will cause one portion of the stone to remain uppermost, and this, from exposure, will assume a different degree of hardness from the underside, so that after awhile the stone will be ground out of a circle. If the stone has to stand in the open, a flat box can serve as a cover, says a correspondent, who gives the foregoing advice in Rural New Yorker.

Agricultural Brevities.

Spraying with bordeaux mixture will effectually control tobacco blight, according to Dr. B. D. Halstead.

George T. Powell considers currants among the most valuable of the small fruits for commercial culture. They have only one drawback—in late years they have been seriously attacked by insects.

According to Professor E. B. Vorhees, nitrate of soda has been found superior to both barnyard manure and mineral fertilizers alone for tomatoes, and nitrate of soda alone was on the whole but slightly less effective than complete fertilizers.

Many depleted lands need tillage more than humus or plant food. Usually they need both. Prepare the land thoroughly for the green crop. Plow when the land is most fit. In very hard clays try fall plowing, advises L. H. Bailey.

Few vegetables change their edible quality according to the soil they may be growing in as does the parsnip, says Meehan. To have the best results they should be sown very early, in very rich soil, where they may develop rapidly. In poor garden ground they have a slightly bitterish flavor when wild, and the roots are poor and stringy.

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Miss Alice Smith.
Mrs. N. M. Briggs.
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MIDDLE INTERVALE.

A. W. Bean is hauling birch to Bethel Hill.

Snow shoes are quite "the thing" on the highway lately.

B. W. Kimball and J. A. Libby are yarding cord wood and poplar.

Ernest Mason worked for J. A. Libby while his father, George Mason, was at home.

Mrs. Ballentine has been away a few days, working for Mrs. A. Ward, on Bethel Hill.

We understand that Joseph Holt, wife and daughter were planning to return to their home a week ago, but were detained by sickness in Worcester, Mass.

Peru.

Born March 6th, to the wife of Bert C. Kidder, a son.

Quite a number of people have been on the sick list for a few days.

Miss Addie Harriman has returned to town and is soon going to Rumford Falls to work for E. L. Lovejoy.

Rockemeka grange have recently held their twenty-fifth anniversary. They held a mock trial at their last meeting and will have an antiquarian day at their next meeting.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of a doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country.

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Collector, Frank P. Cole; percentage, .02.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$ 400
Roads and bridges	2000
Common schools	900
School books	50
School house repairs and appliances	50
Support of poor	600
Memorial day	25

Denmark.

Moderator, J. N. Smith.
Clerk, Dr. S. T. Brown.
Selectmen, etc., L. A. Ingalls, Geo. W. Moulton, A. D. Fessenden.
Treasurer, Geo. W. Gray.
Road commissioner, Fred Sanborn.
Supt. of schools, Charlton H. Warren.
School committee, Geo. W. Gray.
Collector and constable, Zelina G. Whittier; four mills on a dollar.

APPROPRIATED.

Schools	$ 850
Spport of poor	200
Town charges	500
School books	75
School house repairs	75
Highways and bridges	1200
High school	200
To insure High school building	20

Norway.

Moderator, A. S. Kimball.
Clerk, C. G. Mason.
Selectmen, D. S. Sanborn, H. M. Jackson, Alvin Brown.
Treasurer, H. J. Bangs.
Collector, George A. Cole, at .015.
Member of school committee, W. F. Jones.
Town agent, W. F. Jones.
Library trustees, E. F. Smith, H. S. Perry.
Truant officer, George W. Locke.
Supt. of schools, Chas. P. Barnes.

APPROPRIATED.

Payment of debt	$1500
Common schools	3500
Support of poor	1600
Interes ou charges	750
Town officers' salaries	1550
Free text books	700
Repairs on school buildings	500
Insurance, apparatus, etc.	250
Roads and bridges	3000
Snow bills, 1899-1900	1800
Norway public library	500
High school	1650
Memorial Day	50
Contingent fund	2000
Moderator of meeting	5

Paris.

Moderator, James S. Wright.
Clerk, William J. Wheeler.
Selectmen, H. N. Bolster, Alpheus D. Andrews, Frank Bennett.
Treasurer, Frank A. Shurtleff.
Collector and percentage, Alfred H. Jackson; .015.
School committee, George M. Atwood, Horatio Woodbury, Francis S. Packard.
Supt. of schools, Walter L. Gray.

APPROPRIATED.

Schools	$3045 00
School books, etc.	500 00
Insurance of school houses	50 00
Poor and insane	2000 00
Town officers' bills	1400 00
Deficiency in snow bills of 1898-99	604 47
Snow bills of present winter	2500 00
Roads and bridges	2500 00
Debt and interest	2000 00
Road near W. H. Jenne's	100 00
Contingent fund	1000 00
Memorial Day	50 00
New school house in Mountain district	600 00

Gilead.

Moderator, H. P. Wheeler.
Clerk, J. W. Kimball.
Selectmen, T. G. Lary, Seth Bemis, E. T. Peabody.
Road commissioners, M. M. Mason, J. W. Bennett.
School committee, A. D. Wight, M. M. Mason, C. H. Cole.
Supt. of schools, H. P. Wheeler.
Treasurer, Albert Bennett.
Collector, H. P. Wheeler; percentage, .0425.
Agent, Albert Bennett.

APPROPRIATED.

Town charges	$1200 00
Roads and bridges	600 00
Common school	268 80

Wilson's Mills.

Moderator, J. W. Clark.
Clerk, E. H. Brooks.
Assessors, W. H. Hart, E. H. Brooks, H. B. Pennock.
Treasurer, J. C. Bean.
Collector, R. S. Bean.
Constable, C. T. Fox.
Member of school board, S. S. Bennett.
Member of board of health, A. A. Flint.
Surveyor, H. W. Fickett.

APPROPRIATED.

Plantation charges	$100
Highway	100
Snow bills	50
Debt	320

Schools, amount required by law.

Peru.

Selectmen and assessors, James Gowell, Job Morrill, Leslie McIntire.
Treasurer, W. S. Walker.
Town clerk, S. F. Robinson.
Collector, Stephen Getchell.

Died.

In Mason, March 5, Edward T. Mains, Aged 90 years, 7 days.

Births.

In Bethel, March 12, to the wife of C. W. Godwin, a daughter.

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New Assurance Issued,	203,301,832.
Income in 1899	53,878,200.86
Assets December 31, 1899	280,191,286.80
Assurance Fund—$216,384,975.00—and all other Liabilities, $2,688,834.03	219,073,809.03
Surplus.	61,117,477.77
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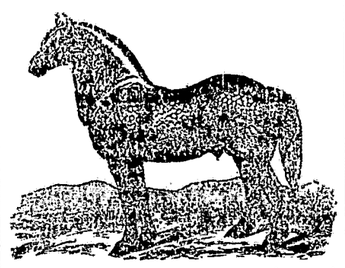
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1894—2140	133 947.93	4,358,321.00
1895—2711	163,547.61	4,960,345 00
1896—2938	177,389.39	5,114,034.00
1897—3473	200,170.90	6,010,574.00
1898—3785	215.976.51	6,329,724.00
1899—4195	236,938.60	6,698,868.00

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February 28th, 1900. Esther K. Frye.

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